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For: PRODUCTION OF A BIOLOGICAL

FACTOR AND CREATION OF AN IMMUNOLOGICALLY PRIVILEGED ENVIRONMENT USING GENETICALLY

ALTERED SERTOLI CELLS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

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RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §§1.111 AND 1.143

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 2, 2001, setting forth a requirement for restriction and in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§1.111 and 1.143, Applicant provisionally elects, with traverse, the subject matter of Group II, Claims 18-26, drawn to a vector and host cells comprising the vector.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.8(a)

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